Development of Naval forces in the East Coast

4025. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in spite of strict vigil and surveillance by Indian Naval forces, on the high seas along the Tamil Nadu coast, security is still vulnerable in the area, and smuggling of Kerosene, Petrol and Diesel etc. is still going on; and

(b) if so, what steps are taken by Government to deploy more Naval Forces in the east coast of Tamil Nadu to arrest such activities posing threat to peace in Tamil Nadu and elsewhere?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) A few incidents of smuggling of petroeum products have come to notice. The Indian Navy and Coast Guard are maintaining intensive surveillance/patrolling in the Polle Bay/Palk Strait area. Adequate forces have been deployed along the coast to curb such activities.

Violation of Instructions by Kanpur Cantonment Board

4026. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kanpur Cantonment Board has been openly violating the instructions issued from time to time by Defence Estate Office, Central Command, Lucknow, Army Headquarters, New Delhi in the matter of removing unauthorised constructions/premises for commercial purposes etc.;

(b) whether these instructions had included one issued by the Defence Estate Office, Central Command, Lucknow on or about 14th August, 1989;

(c) whether any investigation has been ordered by some independent agency or not; and

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Cantonment Board, Kanpur, has not received any instruction dated on or about 14 August 1989 regarding the removal of un-authorised constructions/premises for commercial purposes etc. The Director of Defence Estates, Central Command, Lucknow has not been able to locate any instruction dated 14.8.89 issued from his office or its violation by the Kanpur Cantonment Board.

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.

Manufacture of Dornier Aircraft

4027. DR. SANJAYA SINH:
SHRI P. UPENDRA:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has entered the international market;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether the HAL has some plans for manufacture of the Dornier (DO 328) aircraft presently built in Germany; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and b) HAL has sold one Dornier-228 aircraft to Mauritius and supplied spares and overhaul services to some other countries.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.